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Dear Fred:

I was delighted to learn the other day that you have been formally nominated as the United States Army's next Chief of Staff. This was an eminently logical selection; indeed, the only logical selection -- but in key personnel appointments, logic does not always prevail. I am very pleased for the country, the Army and for you that in this instance, it did.

In this troubled world, there are few safe and relatively sure bets. One of them, however, is that you will discharge your new duties with great distinction. All of your friends who have had the pleasure and privilege of knowing and working with you for a time span measured in years can be confident that the Army will be in good hands. You have spent much of your career ably supporting the work of others and I am pleased that you will now have a chance to get the full measure of personal recognition for your talents and contributions that you have long deserved.

Again, my heartiest congratulations and best wishes. Needless to say, if there is anything I or my colleagues can do to help you, you have only to ask.

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